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FRAUD WARNING: Dominion Power Customers

Several business and residential customers in the Town of Herndon have been the targets of recent fraud attempts by scammers posing as Dominion Power representatives. The caller will contact the business or resident by telephone, tell them that the account is past due, and threaten to disconnect electrical service immediately if payment is not made. The caller will ask for immediate payment in cash via PayPal, ReloadIt, MoneyPak, Green Dot, or any prepaid debit card. After the customer obtains the prepaid debit card he is instructed to provide code number from the prepaid card to the caller. The caller will then access the money from the debit card and the customer will have lost those funds.

Dominion Power will never ask for payment over the phone or require payment on a prepaid debit card.

If you receive a call from someone claiming they are from Dominion Power demanding immediate payment with a threat of the power being cut off, you should be suspicious. You should stop the conversation and call Dominion Power directly using the contact information on your Dominion Power bill. A legitimate Dominion Power employee will not tell you to obtain a debit card for immediate payment.

Report Suspicious Activity to the Herndon Police at 703-435-6846.

Dominion Power can be reached by calling 1-866-DOM-HELP.

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